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1. In accordance with the principles established at the October Fiend/Valuable meeting operational procedure must be completely re-orientated. 1952 operations into Albania should take the form of separate and limited penetration operations aimed at establishing small networks each built around a high level agent who will make contact with certain specific individuals in Albanian government and army circles by the use of indigenous cut-outs and other clandestine techniques. The long term objective of these penetration operations is the subversion of key figures so that the required degree of neutralization of the army and other vital branches of the Hoxha government is achieved at such time as the moment seems appropriate for the overthrow of the regime. The first mission assigned to the agents selected for penetration operations is one of contact and exfiltration. A secure system of communications will be built by these agents and left behind after completion of the first phase of the operation. It is anticipated approximately 10 such operations will be mounted during 1952 and it is planned to assign W/T operators to those agents who find they are in a position to use W/T and can set up direct communications with the base.

2. In addition to the development of penetration operations, harassment operations will be undertaken. These operations will have the mission of maintaining the passive resistance of the Albanian people against the regime and developing resistance potential. It is planned to accomplish this by launching short-term missions with limited special

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assignments such as intelligence and coup de main operations to provide incidents of propaganda and psychological warfare value which may be exploited to the maximum by the BGFIEND P/W program and by inauguration of the Propaganda Supply Drop Program, and continuation of Leaflet Raids and air re-supply missions. Hamit Matiani and his group and other appropriate figures will be used for these operations.

3. In preparation for the adoption and execution of the follow-up force concept and in connection with its hot-war mission, BGFIEND's activities in 1952 will be limited to a recruiting and training program. In addition to expanded W/T training, it is planned to establish a uniform training course for all members of the Albanian Guard Company and the second and third guard companies if established. Training will consist of twelve one-month 30-man classes and will be given in Germany. Although ideally the men who complete training should not be returned to the Guard Company, and should be moved to a holding area, it is expected the trainees will be returned to the Guard Companies. Men who have demonstrated above average ability will be given further training in such specialized subjects as sabotage, intelligence, establishment of escape and evasion routes, caching, and psychological warfare. Training will be paralleled by a continuation of stockpiling of arms in Greece and by the acquisition of any arms required to complete the T/E for 2,000 men.

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